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To Michelle

Date 10.30 Time 8:25

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For what it's worth

- The advance people and state and local BQ people urge the President to say B'Gosh in his remarks. They said Reagan said "It's great to be in Oshkosh, b'gosh!" The crowd went nuts.
- Advance Lead Diane Harrison says she's hearing that the townspeople don't like the President saying Bozo and Ozone.

I explained that we're not writing this in. I also explained that the President referred to them as "Bozos" once yesterday and has not said it since. (The President has been getting slammed by the press all day for the bozo remark.)

As for Ozone (I like it myself), I tried to explain that it's the President's call. Nevertheless, I thought I'd pass this along -- in case you want to warn him against using it.

- The President will receive the Oshkosh B'Gosh overalls AFTER THE SPEECH.
- Note the pronunciation for Congressman Tom Petri [PEE-TRY]. The President has evidently mispronounced his name three times. We need to make sure he does it correctly.
- I'm getting 20,000 different stories re whether the mayor of Oshkosh will be there. He's a demo -- Central Headquarters told me yes, Oshkosh Advance says "Who?" So I'll keep you posted if I hear anything on my end.

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FROM: John Casper, Executive S.P.

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OSHKOSH TRUCK	SPECIALIZED TRUCKS	1960
OSHKOSH B'GOSH	FAMILY APPAREL	1000
BEMIS/CURWOOD	PACKAGING TAPE/PLASTIC FILM	800
SCOTT WORLDWIDE FOOD SERVICE	PAPER SPECIALTIES	533
LEACH COMPANY	REFUSE COLLECTION EQUIPMENT	456
MORGAN PRODUCTS	WOOD BUILDING PRODUCTS	390
ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL	AXLES/GEAR DRIVES	367
MILES KIMBALL	MAIL ORDER DISTRIBUTION	314
SQUARE D COMPANY	MEDICAL WALLS & TRANSFORMERS	267
PLUSWOOD	WALL PANELING	225
ARROWHEAD CONVEYOR	CUSTOM-MADE CONVEYING EQUIPMENT	217
SNC MANUFACTURING	TRANSFORMERS	217
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NERCON ENGINEERING	CUSTOM-MADE CONVEYING EQUIPMENT	179
OSHKOSH NORTHWESTERN	NEWSPAPER PUBLISHING	175
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MUZA METAL PRODUCTS	METAL FABRICATORS	100
PEPSI	BEVERAGES	100
C.R. MEYER AND SONS	GENERAL CONTRACTOR/DESIGN BLDGS.	80
COKE	BEVERAGES	60

NON MANUFACTURING

UNIVERSITY OF WI OSHKOSH	EDUCATION	1475
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER	HOSPITAL CARE	1296
WINNEBAGO COUNTY	GOVERNMENT	1100
OSHKOSH SCHOOL DISTRICT	EDUCATION	1112
CITY OF OSHKOSH	GOVERNMENT	630
COPPS FOOD CENTER	RETAIL GROCERS	275
BETHAL HOME	NURSING HOME	249
RESIDENTIAL CARE (RCDD)	GROUP HOMES/NURSERY CARE	240
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WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE	UTILITY	90
FOX VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	EDUCATION	50

POPULATION OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY

	POPULATION
CITY OF OSHKOSH.....	55,006
CITY OF NEENAH.....	23,219
CITY OF MENASHA.....	14,638
TOWN OF MENASHA.....	13,975
TOWN OF OSHKOSH.....	4,655
TOWN OF ALGOMA.....	3,442
CITY OF OMRO.....	2,836
TOWN OF NEENAH.....	2,691
TOWN OF CLAYTON.....	2,264
TOWN OF BLACK WOLF.....	2,154
VILLAGE OF WINNECONNE.....	2,059
TOWN OF WINNECONNE.....	1,761
TOWN OF VINLAND.....	1,688
TOWN OF OMRO.....	1,616
TOWN OF NEKIMI.....	1,525
TOWN OF WINCHESTER.....	1,433
TOWN OF RUSHFORD.....	1,361
TOWN OF UTICA.....	1,046
TOWN OF WOLF RIVER.....	1,037
TOWN OF POYGAN.....	824
TOWN OF NEPEUSKUN.....	647
CITY OF APPLETON.....	443
TOTAL,	140,320

POPULATION OF OSHKOSH URBAN AREA

CITY OF OSHKOSH.....	55,006
TOWN OF OSHKOSH.....	4,655
TOWN OF ALGOMA.....	3,442
TOWN OF BLACK WOLF.....	2,154
TOWN OF VINLAND.....	1,688
TOWN OF NEKIMI.....	1,525
TOTAL,	68,470

From 1990 census

Oshkosh Association of Manufacturers & Commerce

The Chamber



OSHKOSH
EST. 1845

FAX TRANSMISSION SHEET

TO: Michelle Nix

FROM: John Casper

DATE: 10-28-92 TIME: 2:00

NOTE: ~~Here's the last three pages to go with other "Oshkosh" information! It must have jammed again!!!~~

(3:00p.m.) - Here it comes again! One last time!

PAGES TO FOLLOW: 3

Municipal Services

Type of local government: Council/Manager
 Comprehensive city plan: Yes No
 completion date: 1992
 City zoning ordinance in effect: Yes No
 County zoning ordinance in effect: Yes No
 Subdivision ordinance with design standards in effect:
 Yes No
 Number of full-time fire department personnel: 97
 Number of volunteer fire department personnel: 0
 Fire insurance class: In city: 3 Outside city: 8/9
 Number of full-time city police officers: 90
 Industrial waste pick-up service: Yes No
 Public library in city: Yes No
 Percent of City Streets paved: 75%

Utilities

Electricity
 Name of Supplier: Wisconsin Public Service Corporation
 Supplier Type: Investor owned
 Three phase in industrial parks: Yes No

Natural Gas
 Name of local distributor:
 Wisconsin Public Service Corporation
 Pipeline source: ANR Pipeline Company

Water
 Municipal water system serving industrial park:
 Yes No
 Source of water: Lake Winnebago
 Storage capacity: Ground 2,400,000 gallons
 Overhead 2,000,000 gallons
 System capacity: 11,000,000 gallons/day
 Average consumption: 6,850,000 gallons/day
 Peak consumption: 10,000,000 gallons/day
 Analysis available: Yes No

Sanitary Sewer
 Municipal sewer system serving industrial park:
 Yes No
 Type of treatment plant: Secondary
 Percent of community served by sewer: 100%
 Average load: 10,859,000 gallons/day
 Peak load: 11,000,000 gallons/day
 Design load: 20,000,000 gallons/day

Telephone
 Name of service provider:
 Wisconsin Bell
 Type of switching equipment: Electronic Switching
 Linked to fiber optics/digital microwave network:
 Yes No

Commercial/Industrial Support Services

Type	# of Firms	Distance if not in city
Tool & Die	see machine shop	
Heat Treating	1	
Machine Shop	14	
Sheet Metal	9	
Welding Supplies	1	(4 in Valley)
Data Processing	4	
Office Equipment Sales ...	4	
Office Equipment Repair ..	5	
Computer Sales	11	
Computer Service	11	

Tax Structure

Local
 Net effective property tax rate/\$1000 of full or market value: \$33.01
 Total bonded indebtedness of City: \$41,535,000
 Total bonded indebtedness of School Dist.: \$0

State
 Tax on machinery and equipment: Exempt
 Tax on inventory: Exempt
 Retail sales: 5%
 Personal income (married, filing jointly):
 Minimum rate: 4.9%
 Maximum rate: 6.93%
 Corporate income: 7.9% (flat)
 State capital gains: 60% exclusion

Miscellaneous Information

Community Facilities
 Number of Churches: 56 Protestant: 49 Catholic: 7
 Synagogue in city: 1
 Post office: 2 Class: 1st 24-hour express delivery
 United Parcel Service delivery: Yes No
 Seating capacity of largest banquet room: 1,400 persons
 Number of motels: 9
 Number of hotels: 2
 Total number of motel/hotel rooms available: 954
 Number of national chain retail stores: Over 90

Communications
 City newspaper: Yes No Daily: 1 Weekly: —
 Local Radio stations: AM: 2 FM: 4
 Number of TV channels received: 4
 distance: 50 miles
 Is city served by cable TV?: Yes
 Number of Channels: 39

Financial
 Number of banks in city: 6 Assets: \$636,000,000
 Number of savings and loans: 5 Assets: \$252,000,000
 Number of credit unions: 10 Assets: \$130,000,000

Community Information Report for Oshkosh

Major Area Employers

Major manufacturers or other large employer in community:

Name	Product/Service	Employment	Union
1. Oshkosh Truck	Specialized Trucks	1,960	Yes
2. UW-Oshkosh	Education	1,475	Yes
3. Mercy Medical Center	Hospital Care	1,296	No
4. Oshkosh Area School District	Education	1,112	Yes
5. Winnebago County	Government	1,100	Yes
6. Oshkosh B'Gosh	Family Apparel	1,000	Yes
7. Bemis/Curwood	Plastic Packaging/Tape	800	No
8. City of Oshkosh	Government	630	Yes
9. Scott Worldwide Food Service	Paper Specialties	533	Yes
10. Leach Company	Refuse Collection Equipment	456	Yes

Labor

Wage rates for persons in manufacturing occupations (production and/or clerical) living or working in community.

Occupation or Job Title	Wage Rates	
	Entry	Average
General Laborer	\$4.79/hr.	\$8.73/hr.
Light Assembler	\$5.66/hr.	\$6.96/hr.
Production Machinist	\$6.91/hr.	\$8.68/hr.
Truck Driver	\$6.04/hr.	\$8.89/hr.
Secretary	\$6.46/hr.	\$8.57/hr.
Typist	\$5.53/hr.	\$5.91/hr.
File Clerk	\$3.38/hr.	\$5.03/hr.
Accounting Clerk	\$5.55/hr.	\$7.52/hr.

Labor Force Summary for: Oshkosh and Winnebago County

Annual Average for: 1991

Labor Force Data (City of Oshkosh)

Labor Force: 30,000

Resident unemployed: 1,880

Percent unemployed: 6.3%

Total employment: 28,200

Employment Data (Winnebago County)

Nonagricultural wage and salary workers: 76,900

Manufacturing: 29,700

Nonmanufacturing: 47,200

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Transportation Services

Rail Service

Community served by Railroad(s): Yes No
 Frequency of switching service: Daily
 Piggyback ramp available: Yes No
 Distance to nearest piggyback service: Local
 Name of railroad(s): Fox River Valley, Wisconsin Central, Wisconsin & Southern.

Motor Carrier

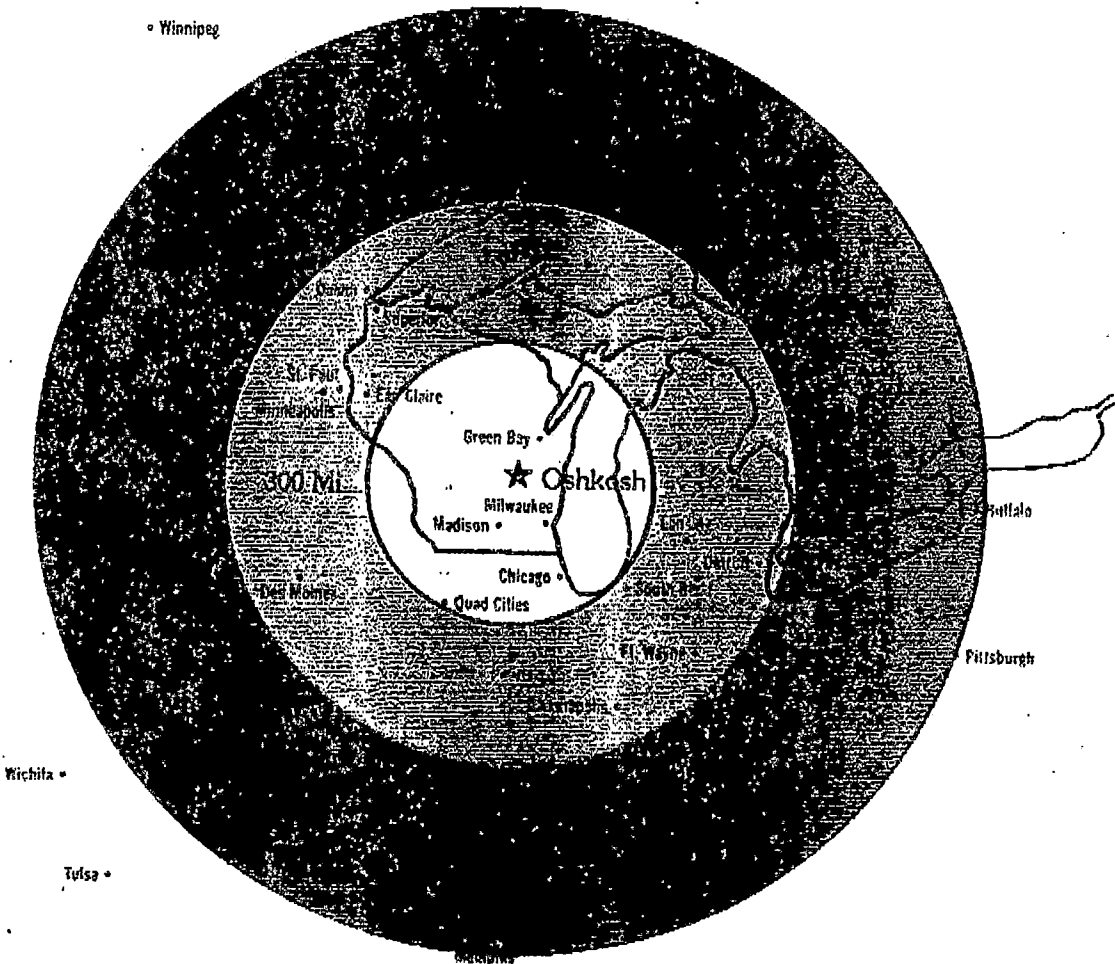
Intercity bus service available: Yes No
 Highways serving city: Federal 41, 45
 State 21, 26, 44, 110, 175
 Distance to nearest four-lane/interstate highway: in city
 Number of local truck terminals: Over 30
 Number of intrastate carriers: Over 30
 Number of interstate carriers: Over 30

Port Service

Available locally: Yes No
 If not, distance to: 50 miles
 Location: Green Bay
 Actual channel depth: 24 feet
 Capacity of largest crane: 100 tons
 Length of season: 9 months

Air Service

Distance to nearest public airport: in city
 Name: Wittman Regional Airport
 Type of runway: Hard surface
 Length of runway: 8,000 feet Lighted: Yes No
 Unicom radio: Yes No
 Instrument Landing system: Yes No
 VOR: Yes No
 Non-directional beacon: Yes No
 Distance to nearest commercial air service: in city
 Airport Name: Wittman Regional Airport
 Name of Airlines serving: United Express

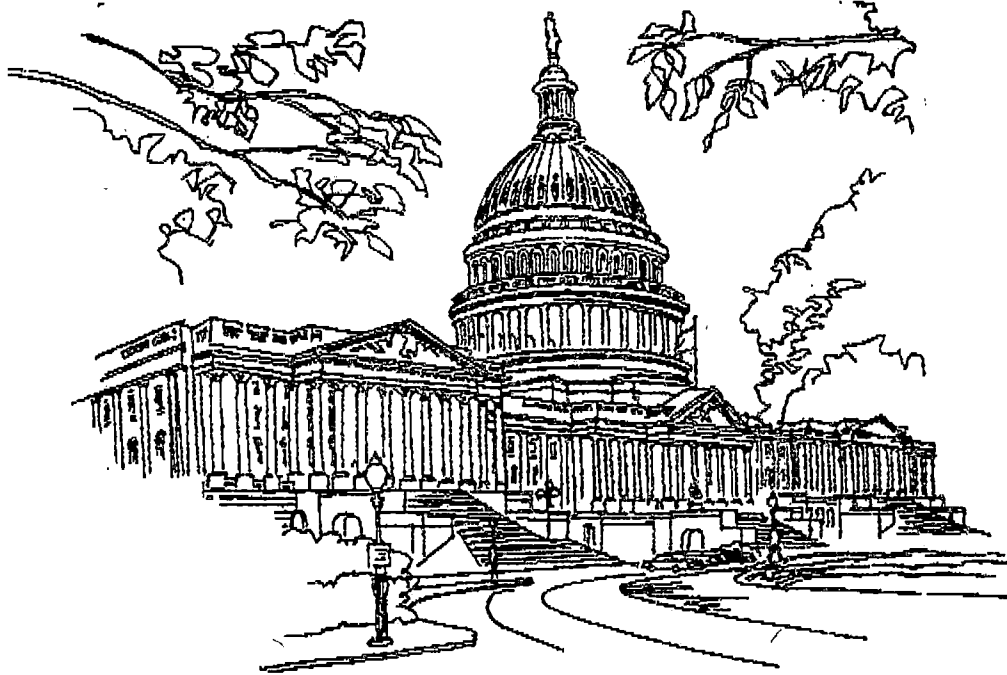


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TO Michele Nix

FROM Joe Flader

PAGES 1 **FAX NUMBER:** 202/225-2356
(FOLLOWING COVER)

COMMENTS

Per telephone conversation

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October 20, 1992

The Honorable Dick Cheney
Secretary of Defense
Department of Defense
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dick:

I am writing to ask your support for the sale of Oshkosh Truck HEMTTs to Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates. As you are aware, the HEMTT has been the U.S. Army's key logistics support vehicle for the M-1 tank. In fact, part of the original design specification criteria in 1980 was to support the M-1 as both an ammunition carrier and refueler. The Army early on concluded that the HEMTT was absolutely critical not only to the battlefield performance of the M-1 tank but also to its cost effective fielding and support. The wisdom of this decision and the value of the HEMTT was proven conclusively in Operation Desert Storm. The battlefield commanders praised the HEMTT as a key to the success they achieved. In fact, many noted the success would not have been possible otherwise.

The HEMTT has been demonstrated and very favorably received in both Kuwait and the Emirates but politics threatens to intervene and swing the awards to other countries. In the case of Kuwait, the German company Mercedes seems to have an inside track because of its political connections. I am appalled by this prospect given the absence of German support in the freeing of Kuwait. I request that you use your good offices to try to see that reason prevails in Kuwait and Oshkosh is not denied this crucial award.

In the Emirates the military has indicated a preference for the HEMTT but interference by other countries has precluded the contract award to Oshkosh to date. Again, I believe that your support for an award to a U.S. company, Oshkosh, would help swing the decision. In both countries, support of Oshkosh by our embassy staffs would be useful and greatly appreciated. I would be thankful for anything you could do to help in this crucial matter.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,


Thomas E. Petri
Member of Congress

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County

ated a field of onions here.

County
The name of Joppa to this place, but it was later
the stream on which it is located. The river
ment surveyors because of the abundance of
ing along its course.

platted this village in 1837. He named it
H. Millard, who had come from Ontario
The word in the Indian language means
rocks," "hills and water," or "village on the

County
either "fishing place," or "away goes my dish (in

County
ed by Dutch immigrants and was named after

first postmaster.

first name of this settlement in 1843. It was
was platted four years later, after the township
the State of Oregon.

County
in 1856, D. Mowe wanted to call it Moweville,
all it Clarkville. The surveyor, Joseph T. Dodge
ame Orford after a town in New Hampshire.
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iamond in the state was noted. Judge A. B.
e Orion.

River Valley was opened to settlers in 1837 by
United States Government and the Chippewa
logging and lumbering led to land claims in
was organized by young men from the State of
act of land which included a creek and Cascade
sawmill because of the great water power
as called Leroy in memory of a mill hand who
le cutting timber. James Livingston, of the St.
St. Croix Falls, chose the name Osceola for the
Florida. When the post office opened in 1854 it
but Mills was dropped in 1897.

Place Names

OSHAUKUTA *Columbia County*
An Indian word meaning "a great place for spearing" and probably
refers to nearby Rocky Run Creek.

OSHKOSH *Winnebago County*
Jean Nicolet passed through this valley in 1634. By 1839 there was a
small settlement. The few scattered wooden houses were known as Athens.
A meeting was held at the house of George Wright to select an official
name, and a large number of people attended. The group headed by
Robert Grignon from Butte des Morts included a number of his Indian
friends and seemed to have an edge on the voting. They chose Oskosh, the
name of the Indian chief. Originally the name was spelled Oskosh with the
accent on the last syllable. In some manner the "h" was added, and the
accent was changed to the first syllable. The Indian word meant "brave," "a
claw," or "horny part of the foot," or "a hoof." Oshkosh was the site of the
Indian village *Pa-ma-cha-mit* signifying "the crossing"

OSLO *Manitowoc County*
Norwegian settlers chose this name.

OSSEO *Trempealeau County*
The city was surveyed in 1847 by W. A. Woodard from New York, and
two men from Richland Center, R. C. Field and W. H. Thomas. A.
McCorkle and Caroline Sexton also owned land. The first house was built
in 1860 by Thomas Love from jack pine lumber.

In 1865 the post office was moved from the Beef River station, where it
was called Summer, to its present location, and named Osseo. William H.
Thomas was postmaster. There are a number of explanations of the name:
1. Robert C. Field coined the name from the Spanish word *oso* meaning
bear. 2. Most accounts state that it is an Indian name and means "a stony
place," "stone on stone," or "a place of river and stone." 3. Henry W.
Longfellow, in his *Song of Hiawatha*, called Osseo the Son of the Evening
Star.

OTSEGO *Columbia County*
Many of the early settlers emigrated from Otsego in New York State. It
is an Indian word meaning "welcome water," or "place where meetings are
held"

OTTAWA *Waukesha County*
The name of a tribe of Algonquin Indians, said to mean "bulrushes." It is
also said to mean to "trade," or "he buys and sells." The Ottawas were
inter-tribal traders.

OTTER CREEK *Crawford County*
(Eastman Township)
Wild otter were seen here at the time of settlement.

OTTER CREEK *Eau Claire County*
The creek flowing through the settlement started in 1854 abounded in
otter. The well-known McClellan House, a stage stop and inn, was built
here on the Sparta Road.

OTTER CREEK *Rock County*
Numerous otter slides were seen along its banks at the time of surveying.

OTTER ISLAND *Bayfield County*
Henry Schoolcraft called the island Oregon, but the Indians named it
for the number of otter found there.

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October 26, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR RESEARCHERS

FROM: DAN MC GROARTY *DMG*

SUBJECT: SPEECH SCHEDULE, OCT. 29-31

10/27
UPDATED 9:00 AM:

Thurs., Oct. 29:

- o Detroit area -- Walters * 3rd speech in Michigan?
- o Grand Rapids, MI -- Aarhus * Oct 29 or 30:
- o ~~Kansas City, MO~~ -- ~~Gershowitz~~ OFF. St. Louis RALLY?

Fri., Oct. 30:

- o Racine, WI -- ~~Bunton~~ (LARRY KING LIVE ONLY) ✓

Sat. Oct. 31:

- o Burlington, WI -- Aarhus
- o Suffex -- Bunton
- o Oshkosh -- Nix
- o Stevens Point -- Grossman
- o Chippewa Falls -- Walters

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